

## STATE OF HAWAII HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND

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TO: Department Heads

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FROM: Jim Williams, Administrator

Extension of EUTF Benefit Plans and Rates through October 31, 2009 SUBJECT:

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This is to follow up on previous notices regarding actions by the EUTF Board of Trustees to cancel the open enrollment period that had been scheduled for May 18 – June 12, 2009, to extend current benefit plans for active employees and retirees through August 31, 2009, to approve rates for all benefit plans through September 30, 2009, and to authorize me to conduct a limited special open enrollment period for hardship cases.

At its meeting of July 15, 2009, the EUTF Board approved extension of current benefit plans with the same (as July, August and September) revised rates through October 31, 2009. The rates, including the employer/employee contributions for the respective bargaining units, previously transmitted also are extended through October 31, 2009. As previously noted, separate rates (employer/employee contributions) apply for the counties of Hawaii, Maui, Kauai, and the City and County of Honolulu.

The special limited open enrollment ended June 12, 2009, and changes made will apply for the period July 1, 2009 through October 31, 2009. The EUTF will not conduct another special limited open enrollment. A full open enrollment will be scheduled when decisions on rates and benefits for the full plan year ending June 30, 2010 are finalized by the Board of Trustees.

On behalf of the EUTF, thank you for your continued cooperation and support.

c: Board of Trustees